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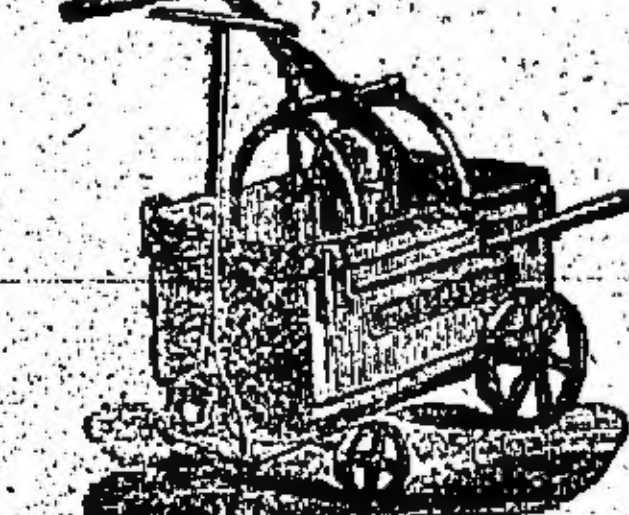
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## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

10 a.m.—Auction of Sundry Naval and  
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Yard.

Meetings.

6.15 p.m.—Meeting of Bowling Club,  
L.A., in Club Premises.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Bills of Peak Tramways Co.,  
Ld., close from this date to 31st May,  
inclusive.

Register of Shares of A. S. Watson &  
Co., Ld., close from this date to 28th  
inst., inclusive.

Goods per Ocean not cleared at 4 p.m.  
on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, May 23—

9.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture, at No. 11, Humphreys Avenue,  
Kowloon.

Goods per Kanato Maru undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, May 24—

Exchange Bills Close.

Goods per Benlomon undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

Goods per Cardigan undelivered after  
this date subject to rent.

Goods per N. F. Ferdinand undelivered  
after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, May 25—

11 a.m.—Auction of Steam Launch Hung  
Yick, on Board, at Causeway Bay.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Oil-Pressing, &c.,  
at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales  
Rooms.

9 p.m.—Concert on the Volunteer Parade  
Ground.

Non-Meeting of Peak Tramways Co.,  
Ld., at Co.'s Registered Offices.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of A. S. Watson &  
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WEDNESDAY, May 23—

12.15 p.m.—Meeting of The 'Star'  
Ferry Co., Ld., at Messrs Gibb,  
Livingston & Co.'s Office.

THURSDAY, May 30—

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

FRIDAY, May 31—

Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong and  
Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the  
City Hall.

SATURDAY, June 29—

Noon.—Meeting of The National Bank of  
China, Ld., at the Bank Premises.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 21, 1907.

PROFIT OUT OF EXCHANGE.

At the last meeting of the Legislative  
Council His Excellency Mr. F. H. May,  
Officer Administering the Government,  
in dealing with the Supplementary  
Estimates for 1906 remarked:—"The  
only item in the Estimates for last year  
showing an excess of expenditure is Mis-  
cellaneous Services, due to the loss of a  
large quantity of subsidiary coin sent  
home last year to be sold. Among the  
Papers to be laid on the Table are the  
Financial Returns for the year 1906  
which show a surplus of \$202,400 on  
the working for the year, and an excess  
of assets over liabilities on the 31st of  
December of \$652,236, not including  
arrears of Revenue and over-payments  
amounting to \$149,260.65, making a  
total excess of assets of nearly \$800,000.  
These figures show a satisfactory finan-  
cial condition. (Applause.) In addition  
we have had a large windfall this year  
in the shape of the probate duty amount-  
ing to over \$260,000 on the Estate of  
the late Sir Robert Jardine." The  
comparative statement of the Estimated  
and Actual Expenditure of the Colony  
for the year was laid on the table, but it  
did not even obtain a passing note from  
His Excellency, despite—or probably  
owing to—the fact that a perusal of the  
figures therein contained would explain  
in large measure the very satisfactory  
position of the figures of the Colony. The  
estimated expenditure for the Colony  
amounted to \$7,056,955.00, while the  
actual expenditure amounted to only  
\$6,832,510.68, a clear saving of  
\$224,444.32, notwithstanding the fact  
that Miscellaneous Services increased  
by \$477,849.53. How was this large  
saving effected? The question might  
well be asked. The gross saving  
amounted to \$702,193.80, and of this  
large sum, no less than \$548,983.99  
was due almost entirely to the profit  
made by the Government out of the  
high rate of exchange which ruled  
throughout the year. His Excellency  
Mr. May, presumably—it must  
be considered—with the object of  
cloaking this fact, did not so much  
as mention the expenditure of the  
Colony. It was sufficient for him  
to point out that there was a sur-  
plus of \$202,400 on the year's work-  
ing. How that surplus was arrived at  
he left it to the public to discover  
for themselves. That the Civil Servants  
of the Colony were benefited of

\$403,832.78—for that was the amount  
saved entirely or almost so on salaries—  
through no fault of their own, did not  
appear to the Officer Administering the  
Government, notwithstanding that he  
was well aware that a petition had been  
sent home from these very servants  
praying for a readjustment of the ques-  
tion of salaries, in view of the high  
exchange. His Excellency Sir Matthew  
Nathan, late Governor of the Colony,  
took a sympathetic interest in this mat-  
ter and shortly before he left he  
promised the Civil Servants that he  
would, on arrival in England, back up  
verbally the recommendations he made  
when forwarding that petition to the  
Secretary of State for the Colonies. Yet  
here we have a document containing a  
most legitimate argument in favour of  
the Civil Servants and it is passed over  
without a word of comment. It was laid  
on the table and there was an end to it.  
Half a million dollars—seven and a half  
per cent of the total estimated expendi-  
ture—saved through the vagaries of  
exchange, and yet not a word of it! We  
do not wonder that there is dissatisfaction  
in the Public Service of Hongkong.  
What else could one expect when such  
important matters as this are ignored.  
The very fact that last year the Govern-  
ment made half a million dollars out of  
exchange is quite sufficient to redouble  
the interest which is taken in that  
matter. It is quite possible that in  
another year the Government might drop  
a like amount, though it is not probable,  
as the Government of the Colony are in  
a position to rectify their position should  
they be on the losing side. The gravity  
of the position of the Civil Servants has  
been pointed out at length in the past,  
but up to the present nothing has been  
done to ameliorate their lot. Will the  
publication of this new fact—this un-  
earned profit to the Government, a profit  
which they gain without as much as  
raising a finger, unless it be to scoop in  
the shovels which are accruing to them  
—open the eyes of all to the crying evil  
that is being inflicted on the Civil Ser-  
vants? It is not as though the  
purchasing value of the dollar rose in  
like ratio to the exchange rate. It does  
not, as all who reside here are well  
aware.

Cherchez la femme! It transpires  
that a woman is at the bottom of the  
bribery scandal at Peking. A singling  
girl originally mentioned things to her  
parents, and the parents passed them on.  
Prince Ching and others were  
impeached, but the Prince having been  
found not guilty, the people who com-  
menced the scandal were seized and  
are at present in custody at Peking.  
One of the hostages at the Capital is  
the Chairman of the Chamber of Com-  
merce at Tientsin. These gentle persons  
will probably have time to learn that  
after all a still tongue maketh a wise  
head.

The paragraph appearing in our  
notes from Canton to-day regarding a  
desire of the Viceroy to be quit of office  
seems to give some ground for the  
rumour that he has been abroad of late  
that Chou Fu is about to roll up his  
tent and flee. Viceroy Chou is an old  
man, but despite his age he is pro-  
gressive. Since he has been in Canton  
he has taken considerable interest in  
the progress of the city and where  
improvements could be made he has  
done everything possible to effect them.  
In the construction of a bridge across  
the river and the improvement of the  
bunding he is taking a keen interest  
and on every possible occasion visits the  
scene of the work and consults with the  
superintending engineer. The Viceroy—  
he does not talk English by the way—  
seems to know something of engineering  
and is never more delighted than when  
he has a set of plans in front of him.  
Viceroy Shun, who is at the moment  
having a spell of influence at Peking,  
has some object in getting Chou Fu out  
of Canton and if he can assist the  
Throne to come to a decision on the  
petition for release from office submitted  
by Chou, he will do so. The proba-  
bility is, however, that what he will try  
to do is to get Chou taken from Canton  
and dumped somewhere in Yunnan.  
To let him end his days in peace would  
never do.

It needs much virtue to live with those  
who have none.—Chinese.

## LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

A new Chinese Consulate has been  
opened at Kobe.

There is a proposal to annex the town  
of Hodegaya to Yokohama.

Two persons were injured in a gas ex-  
plosion at Tokyo Exhibition.

Earthquakes more or less severe are  
reported in various parts of Japan.

The English Mail of the 20th April  
was delivered in London on the 18th May.

The work on a section, between Wu-  
chang and Yachow, of the Canton-Hankow  
Railway was to be commenced on the  
20th.

The Central Government has decided  
to continue the Peking-Kalgan Railway to  
the town of Urga, in Mongolia, and work  
on the new line will commence in the  
summer.

Private contractors having failed to  
clear the entrance of Port Arthur, the  
Japanese Government has determined to  
undertake the work itself at an estimated  
cost of Yen 260,000.

The Chinese cruisers "Hai-shen" and  
"Hai-jung" which are to be specially de-  
spatched to the Malay Archipelago by  
Viceroy Yuan are to depart some time  
towards the end of this month.

Captain Hamasaki of the "Shinshu  
Maru," has lodged an appeal against the  
decision of the Osaka Marine Court, which  
suspended his certificate for four months  
in consequence of the collision of his boat  
with the P. and O. s.s. "Dover."

The Kobe (Japanese) Chamber of  
Commerce has sent strong petitions to the  
Prime Minister, the Home Minister, and  
the Minister of Finance, Communications,  
Agriculture and Commerce urging the re-  
moval of the railway lines and works which  
form a great obstruction in the middle of  
the city.

A Peking telegram to Shanghai says  
that the Chinese Consul-General at Seoul  
has telegraphed that the Japanese  
Government has decided to dispatch a  
number of military officers to Korea for  
the special control of the Korean native  
army. There is considerable excitement  
among the Korean population on account  
of this decision.

The N. C. Daily News, remarks  
that a private letter from the North states  
that H. H. Tsin, Ch'un-hung, has made  
himself so unpopular with the Princes and  
high Ministers in the Capital that he is  
avoided by them as much as possible. In  
consequence of this Tsin is said to be  
seriously thinking of again asking for a  
provincial appointment.

Bands of burglars and assassins are  
parading the streets of Harbin in broad  
daylight; a meeting of sixty-eight foreign  
merchants, with whom were the Russian  
and American Consuls and a representative  
of the Chinese authorities recently unani-  
mously passed a resolution calling on  
the Russian authorities to adopt efficient  
measures for the preservation of good  
order; the answer has been returned  
that Harbin is an open port and the  
duty devolves on the Chinese; but a  
demand for municipal privileges equivalent  
to those enjoyed only by Russians and  
Chinese brought no response.

An Obstructive Tactist.

Mr E. T. C. Werner, H. M. Consul at  
Kiangsi, is in dispute with the Customs  
Tactist Wang about the erection of a tank  
for the storage of kerosene oil at the  
Treaty Port by a British firm at Shanghai.  
The Tactist refuses to give permission on  
the ground that, as Kiangsi is a Treaty  
Port and is thickly populated by Chinese  
residents, and in view of the dangerous  
and destructive nature of kerosene oil the  
request cannot be granted by China. The  
Consul, however, insists on gaining his  
point, as he is able to quote a similar con-  
cession given at Hankow to a foreign firm.  
The matter will probably be referred to  
Peking for final settlement.

Chinese River Gunboat Squadron.

H. E. Viceroy Chang Chih-tung, of the  
Hukwang Provinces, has telegraphed to  
Peking concerning the formation of a  
squadron of light-draught gunboats and  
torpedo-boats for services on the upper  
Yangtze, to comprise four gunboats,  
(three of which have already been  
completed) the torpedo-boats now in course  
of construction in the Hunyang arsenal  
and three old vessels of the Hukwang  
Viceroyalty. The proposed squadron is  
constituted of ten or twelve vessels to be  
placed under the command of Colonel Li  
Yuan-hung (educated in the destroyed  
naval college at Tientsin) for the  
preservation of peace. The estimated  
annual expenditure for the maintenance of  
this squadron in the Yangtze is about  
Yen 200,000.

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

STORM AT NINGPO.

Ten Lives Lost.

(From our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 20.

Ningpo was visited by a terrific  
squall on May 17.

The roof of the cotton mill was blown  
off; several junks capsized and ten lives  
were lost.

PRINCE CHING.

Wants to Resign.

(From our Correspondent.)

PEKING, May 20.

Prince Ching's petition, praying for  
leave to resign, has not been granted.

PRINCE TSAI-CHEN.

Proceeding to Europe.

(From our Correspondent.)

PEKING, May 21.

Prince Tsai-Chen, a son of Prince  
Ching, lately Minister of the Board of  
Agriculture, leaves shortly for Germany  
and Great Britain to study military and  
naval matters.

(Prince Tsai-Chen is an Imperial  
clerkman. His record (taken from *Who's  
Who in the Far East*) is as follows:—  
Lieut. General, Bordered White Banner  
Corps, 1901; special Ambassador to Eng-  
land, Coronation, April, 1903; President,  
Board of Commerce, Sept., 1903; Minister  
of the Presence, Jan., 1904; Minister,  
Board of Agriculture, 1906.—*Far E. M. J.*)

At a meeting of the Legislative Council  
held on Thursday the Colonial Sec-  
retary will move that \$2,439,000 be advanced  
for the construction of the English section of  
the Kowloon-Canton railway.

In view of the late Morrison Centenary  
celebrations at Shanghai, an article on Dr.  
Robert Morrison in the current "L. M. S.  
Chronicle," from the pen of Dr. Griffith  
John, is of special interest. As Morrison  
died in 1834 and Griffith John was born in  
1831, the careers of these two great mis-  
sionaries cover the whole century of  
missions in China. "The name of Dr.  
Morrison," says the writer, "can never  
perish, and his influence can never pass  
away. His translations and dictionaries  
have already passed into improved and  
more perfect works. But Morrison lives;  
his spirit is still marching on; his life and  
example remain, and will remain, a light  
and an inspiration to all his successors, to  
the end of time."

The Wesleyans, as usual, arranged their  
annual picnic yesterday. They, like all  
other holiday makers, were favoured with  
fine weather. A cloudy sky helped matters,  
and a smooth sea exactly suited their  
wishes, for they had arranged a picnic to  
Stanley. Two launches had been arranged,  
yet these were not too capacious to supply  
accommodation for all that availed them-  
selves of the chance of a day's outing.  
Something more than two hundred were  
present, and among them were not  
a few children. This is exactly what  
the promoters wish, for the youngsters  
always enjoy a day away from Hongkong,  
and yesterday's opportunity apparently  
was no exception to the rule. Those who  
took charge of the expedition found that it  
was necessary to have all their wits about  
them to arrange for so large a gathering,  
and to see that tea was provided on the  
grass with as little delay as possible.  
Everything as far as I know passed off  
satisfactorily, except that there being so  
large a number present, all the provisions  
were demolished, and perhaps if there had  
been a little more no one would have mind-  
ed it. It is not easy to cater for so many  
as no one knows how many will  
turn up. Still I think everyone was  
about satisfied. The picnic was able to  
command music all the way, for the newly  
constructed band was very generous in its  
music and everybody enjoyed joining in  
with the singing. Indeed the folk sang all  
the way thither and back. It is not neces-  
sary to mention the names of those who  
assisted, but as usual there were many  
willing minds and many helping hands; when  
the magnitude of such a task is considered,  
and the fervour of the appliances available,  
it was a sign of careful management that  
all were supplied with so little delay.  
There were races for the children, who also  
enjoyed the old-fashioned scramble for  
sweets on the grass. It was a pleasant  
afternoon and that all felt as they landed  
at nine o'clock.—*Communicated.*

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

## FRANCE AND ENGLAND.

## Visit of Municipal Councillors.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, May 20.

President Fallieres and his Ministers are at Lyons, the occasion being the visit of English and Scottish Municipal Councillors.

Speaking at the banquet of the Six Hundred the President said such visits consolidated reciprocal confidence and strengthened the entente cordiale, which guaranteed the world's peace.

## THE QUEEN.

## Stormy Weather Encountered.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Hantsley.)

LONDON, May 20.

Queen Alexandra, whilst returning from Corfu, met strong weather and the steamer was obliged to put in at Messina for refuge.

## THE SIKHS IN INDIA.

## A Loyal Manifesto.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters.)

BOMBAY, May 20.

In view of the unrest prevailing in India, the Sikhs have issued a manifesto, in which they proclaim loyalty to Great Britain and their contempt for the agitator.

## THE RUSSO-JAPANESE TREATY.

LONDON, May 19.

The Times Paris correspondent wires that it is stated in diplomatic circles, the Russo-Japanese treaty is likely to be finally concluded in a week or ten days, and the Franco-Japanese treaty about the same time.

## PRINCE FUSHIMI'S VISIT.

LONDON, May 19.

Prince Fushimi was entertained at lunch by the Edinburgh Corporation.

## THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

LONDON, May 19.

Washington states that Mr Thomas O'Brien, the present Minister at Copenhagen, succeeds Mr Wright as Ambassador at Tokyo in September.

## DEFALCATING SOLICITORS.

LONDON, May 19.

The disappearance of a partner in an important firm of City Solicitors, has led to the discovery of serious defalcations, and has occasioned a number of sensational reports.

It is understood that the sum involved does not exceed £100,000, and that the losses, which fall on well-to-do people, are already liquidated.

Sir Henry Blake, Governor of Ceylon, has been installed as Worshipful District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge for Ceylon, which was inaugurated on May 1.

An outbreak of fire occurred at Messrs J. D. Hutchinson & Co.'s piece-goods shop, No. 2 Ningpo Road, Shanghai, on May 17 at 10.40 p.m. The damage done was only trifling and the building and contents are said to be insured.

A concert will be held in the grounds of Government House on Saturday, June 8th, at 9.0 p.m. (in doors if wet), in aid of the "Sailors and Soldiers' Institute," Arsenal Street, and the Y. M. C. A. Tickets £2, to be had at the Robinson Piano Co.

The Chinese Board of Education has appointed Mr Tung Hung-wei Commissioner for the study of educational matters in the Malay Archipelago. This appointment has received the approval of Britain and Holland.

The sum of Tls. 300,000 out of Tls. 600,000, being the Customs revenue collected at the Yinkow Custom House and subsequently returned to China from Russia, has been appropriated for expenses of Chinese Military Academies.

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## FRENCH CRUISER ASHORE.

## The "Protector" Despatched to Salve.

The French armoured cruiser "Chancy" has gone ashore near the entrance to Shanghai. At present it is not known whether the vessel is in a serious condition or not, but that hopes are entertained for her salvage may be judged from the fact that the French Consul in Hongkong has arranged with the "Protector" to proceed with all speed to the north to see what can be done. The "Protector" left this afternoon on her mission.

From the information at hand it is gathered that no lives have been lost.

The "Chancy" is a steel armoured cruiser of 4750 tons displacement, with a speed of from 18.5 to 19 knots. She was laid down at Bordeaux in 1890 and completed in 1894. Her length is 374 feet, beam 45 ft. 10 in., mean draught 19 ft. 7 in. She carries two 7.6 inch guns, six 5.5 inch quick firers, four 9 pounders, four 3 pounders, six one pounders and five torpedo tubes.

She is a two-masted craft, with two masts, and she carries a complement of 370 souls.

## THE LATE MR WEI ON.

## The Chief Justice Expresses Sympathy.

In the Supreme Court this morning before the Criminal Sessions were commenced His Lordship Sir Francis Pigott (Chief Justice) and His Honour Mr A. G. Wise (Puisne Judge) both sat in the large Court. There was quite an array of barristers and solicitors present, including:—The Hon. Mr H. H. J. Gompertz, Hon. Dr Ho Kai, C. M. G., Sir Henry Berkeley, K. C., Messrs P. C. C. Master, R. F. C. Master, H. G. C. Bailey, W. J. Daniel, E. J. Grist, F. X. d'Almeida e Castro, F. P. Hett, R. Harding, C. K. Hall, Bruton, G. E. Morrell, Otto Kong Sing, J. H. Gardiner and C. F. Dixon.

The Chief Justice said:—Before proceeding with the business of the day, I think it is fitting that I should say a few words expressing the very great regret and deep sorrow with which we have heard of the painful sudden and premature death of our friend, Mr Wei On. The regret is all the more acute for some of us, who were away on holiday when we heard the news, and so were prevented from paying the last tribute of respect to the remains of our colleague. Mr Wei On was a man of many virtues, but those which appealed to us more in Hongkong were the kindness and thoroughness which he acquired at Cheltenham and Oxford, which he brought back to his native country, and which characterised all he did, both in play and in work. I think I am voicing the feelings of all the members of the profession when I tender to Mr Wei On and all his friends an expression of our most sincere sympathy with the loss they have sustained.

Hon. Mr H. H. J. Gompertz—Your Lordship, the profession feels very deeply the loss they have suffered through the sudden death of Mr Wei On. The further remarks of Mr Gompertz were inaudible, but he referred to the gratification which all Mr Wei On's friends must have felt at the great promise shown by Mr Wei On. Mr Gompertz spoke very feelingly.

## THE POKFULUM MURDER.

Cheung Tai, who is charged with the murder of Yim Hing and Yim Ming (father and son) was arraigned before the Chief Justice (His Lordship Sir Francis Pigott) at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

In answer to the charge he said:—I was drunk; I drank some medicated wine and did it.

This was taken as a plea of not guilty and the following jurors were sworn:—Messrs B. D. Kapteyn, T. Oates, L. S. Greenhill, G. Grant, T. M. Gregory, S. B. Greenfield and F. Graham.

The Hon. Mr H. H. J. Gompertz (Attorney General) appeared for the Crown, and the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, C. M. G., for the accused.

The Attorney General explained that the accused, his wife and children, as well as the deceased, his wife and two children, lived in a matted house near Telegraph Bay, which was also occupied by accused's mother and others engaged in fishing. On March 24 Yim Hing was unwell and did not go to work. He bought a fowl and some medicated wine, but on the second day he appeared no better and was lying on his bed alongside his two children when accused came into the room, seized a chopper and attacked him so severely as to kill him. One of the children was also so wounded that death occurred later; but the other child—a girl—recovered from her wounds. Three days after the murder accused was arrested on the hillside. As providing a motive for the crime the Hon. Mr Gompertz pointed out that accused and deceased had had a row some time ago and that when deceased killed the fowl he did not offer any to Cheung Tai. This latter Cheung Tai said was the reason why he killed Yim Hing but later on he alleged that Yim Hing had had unlawful relations with accused's mother.

Evidence was led but the case was not concluded when we went to press.

## CANTON.

(From a Correspondent.)

## A CURIOUS TANGLE.

It was reported some time since that there had been a robbery in the Fatshan hospital, and also, since then, blackmailing letters have been sent to the doctors in charge. The result of these unlawful actions on the part of some of the Chinese was that the British Consul-General brought the matter to the notice of the Viceroy, and the Fatshan officials were ordered to seize the offenders. The local magistrate, Ko Hau San, has now informed the Nam Hoi magistrate, that he has discovered that the two watchmen of the district are in league with the robbers, and that the local police are in league with the watchmen, or something to this effect. He therefore advises that these connivers at law-breaking be removed and an order has been issued to this effect. Now, the headmen of two of the local wards have joined and have signed a document declaring that all this is untrue. The local magistrate is consumed with envy and wants to get these watchmen and the soldiers who are thus charged with their posts in order that he may place therein some nominees of his own. This counter move has also been sent to the Provincial Judge in Canton, and he has to unravel the matter or else stand before the Commission having been obtained at which has been told him on both sides. Meanwhile robbers, for the most part, have their own way, and rob on all sides, no one daring to let or hinder.

PAYMENT OF CHINESE PAPER MONEY. The officials have ordered the paymasters to use notes instead of silver in paying out money to those who enter their shops in order to pawn articles. This order they have not yet acted against and the whole crowd of them have met and have decided not to obey.

It is difficult to get at the aim of the officials from the brief report before me. The pawnbrokers say they have already paid for their licenses and that all that concerns the officials, and therefore they must be allowed to use what money they like in carrying on their business. This contention seems just enough. In some way should they consent to do what the officials have hidden them, they will have to pay the officials twice over. Of course, as things are, they can always make a profit by paying out in silver, which presumably they would lose if they paid out in notes. On the other hand, they could easily guard themselves against this by paying somewhat less for the article pawned. However the point is they decline to use the newly made notes.

A VILLAGE SQUABBLE. At Im Po, a populous village half way between Canton and Fatshan, it appears that some public funds are administered by some of the local gentry, and these gentry in rotation after they have done their duty for a year, hand the accounts and whatever pertains thereto, over to others. This year for some reason those who had charge refused to conform to the usage. Two men of position therefore appealed against them. It was unfortunate for them that they were so bold. The next time they went, out they were waylaid, by some emissaries of those who were appealed against, and were soundly thrashed. Indeed both were badly beaten and severely wounded. Then of course this matter was brought to the notice of the officials, and two men, who are known to have been ring-leaders in the attack, have been arrested, and brought before the magistrates. So the matter stands at present. There will be a standing feud now between the different families of the village, and probably years will have to pass away before the passions of those who have been in the melee will be assuaged.

THE VICE-ROY SEES A BEAT. For some time there have been rumours in Canton that the Viceroy is desirous of obtaining a rest. It is now said that he has definitely written to Peking and stated that years are increasing, that ailments are impending, that, in Canton, business matters are pressing, and therefore he wishes to be relieved altogether of the burdens of office. The position of Viceroy cannot be a sinecure, if he has to personally attend to half the petitions that the native papers report to be daily handed in for the inspection of His Excellency. One does not wonder that with increasing years and so much business, and, no doubt, some worries, he should feel compelled to ask to resign.

TRouble AT A "SINGAPORE." A few days since at a village named Young Kai, there was a large theatre, and of course crowds went to see the fun. Some soldiers were told off to keep order. Somehow there was trouble, and in the scuffling knives were drawn and one of the soldiers was very badly wounded. The next day the Puen Yue magistrate told off a subordinate and some men to arrest those who were supposed to be the guilty parties. When they reached the village they found, however, that none of their approach had outstripped them, and the soldiers, whom they were seeking, were nowhere to be found. They were hidden as securely as they had been placed in their graves. The soldiers returned quite crestfallen. Now the matter has been handed over to an officer of higher rank, and we may suppose that there will be some local trouble of a definite sort before the matter is cleared up, and the guilty parties secured and punished.

ANOTHER ROBBERY. In the district of Luk-Po, and the village of Wong Po, there are two clans residing. On the second of the Chinese month, about sunset, the village was attacked by seventy robbers. The robbers raided sixteen houses and gathered together a large quantity of booty. The local militia however quickly arrived and the robbers, followed the robbers, and surrounded them. Then there was a stand up fight. One of the soldiers was shot dead. Two of those whose houses had

been robbed were wounded. Notwithstanding these facts, the militia followed the robbers and managed to secure one of them named Chay A Yi. The others managed to escape. It is likely, however, that the unfortunate wretch, who has been captured, will be so punished by torture that he will be compelled to divulge the names of some of the others and thereby it is hoped that some of the gang will be captured. When the number of robberies perpetrated upon the villagers is remembered, one can hardly wonder at the Chinese indifference, at the punishment the gang may be known, and possibly captured, for in the country no one is safe from their depredations.

## SPORTING.

## The V. R. C.

The Victoria Recreation Club formally opened their temporary premises on the new site yesterday forenoon. The Chairman of the Club (Mr A. Rodgers) proposed access to the old club on the new site—the oldest athletic club in East of Suez. The toast was "enthusiastically honoured by those present."

So far the Club has only a match erected, but the work of building the permanent structure is being pushed forward; the ground being already opened up for the foundations, etc. Within the next few weeks a temporary swimming bath will be fixed up, permission having been obtained from the Government to use this bath for a period of two years.

While the work of erecting the permanent building is going on it will, of course, preclude the holding of swimming fetes, such as have been held during the past few years, though it is possible a few handbills will be promoted during the season.

## The Civil Service Club.

Yesterday afternoon the members of the Civil Service Club were "At Home" to their friends and the large response to the invitation of the Club must have given much pleasure to the hosts. The Club grounds looked exceedingly pretty, the flowers and lawns showing how great an interest is taken in the Club and how much time must be spent in improving the grounds.

A programme of sports was successfully run through, after which Mrs W. Chatham presented the season's prizes as follows:—

CRICKET: League Batting Average, Mr F. A. Biden; First Eleven Batting, Mr E. B. Reed; League Bowling, Mr L. E. Brett; First Eleven Bowling, Mr H. T. Jackson; League Fielding, Mr P. T. Lambie; Weekly Fielding, Mr P. R. Adams; Second Eleven Batting, Mr W. H. Kelly; Second Eleven Bowling, Mr G. Badcock; Second Eleven Fielding, Mr H. G. Coombs.

LAWN BOWLS: Championship (1906) Mr J. A. Wheel; Teams Competition (1907) Messrs A. Brown, R. Duncan, J. Coles and W. Fincher (skip); 1. Messrs C. W. Brett, R. Hudson, M. McIvor and L. E. Brett (skip); 2. Championship (1907), Mr W. H. Kelly; 1. Mr L. E. Brett; 2. Messrs W. Fincher and A. B. W. the tie for third; Spoon Competitions, Messrs R. Hudson, C. H. Parkinson, I. A. Wheel, W. Fincher, W. H. Kelly, G. Badcock, D. Gourlay, A. Bloney, P. R. Adams and C. W. Brett.

WHIT WASH SPORTS. Girls' race, Ruby Mow Fung; 1. May Badcock; 2. Thred and needle race, Mrs Wheel and Mr Ansell; 1. Mrs W. and Mr W. 2. Boys' race, Ernest Brett; 1. Willie Woolley; 2. Egg and spoon race, Miss Hang; 1. Mrs Wheel; 2. Blindfold race, Mrs Gibbons; 1. Mr Dawson; 2. Girls' skipping race, May Blake; 1. Bessie Brett; 2.

Secret nomination race, Mrs Chatham, nominated by Mr West; 1. Miss Hang, nominated by Mr Duncan; 2. Three-legged race, Messrs Gast and Wheel.

Chalking the pig's eye, Mrs Lambie; 1. Miss Hang; 2. Boys' Potatoes race, E. Bullock; 1. E. Brett; 2. Stump competition, Mr A. G. Pile; 1. Mr J. Armstrong; 2. 100 yards handball, Mr A. G. Pile; 1. Mr E. Dawson; 2. Stump competition (ladies), Mrs Hill; 1. Mrs Badcock; 2. Veterans' race, Mr H. Coombs; 1. Mr A. Bloney; 2. Thread the needle (married couples) Mr and Mrs Thornhill.

Tug-of-war, won by married men.

Chinese merchants in South Africa, telegraphing to the Board of Commerce, have given notice that Chili intends to oust Chinese labourers and is sending deputies to China. The message expresses the hope that provincial authorities will be instructed to prohibit such action. The Government has in response to the above warning, issued instructions throughout the provinces.

The "Collier" reached New York on April 16, two days late, after (states a sub-agent in the Paris edition of the New York Herald) a voyage described by Captain Hadcock as the roughest he had ever experienced. At noon on April 13 a monster wave washed the ship deck, sixty feet above the water line. The torrent swept from the sun deck into the smoking room, where a number of saloon passengers were drowned to the skin. The water also poured down the companionway to the second cabin into many of the state-rooms, the occupants of which were soaked and frightened. Members of the crew were ordered into the steerage to check a panic.

## SHANGHAI FIRE BRIGADE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, May 17.

A very important step in the gallant life of the Volunteer Fire Brigade may be taken at any moment. The French Municipal Council have grumbled because they have been asked to pay a quarter of the expenditure of the Brigade during the year. Formerly they have subscribed Tls. 5,000, but if they pay the amount asked for it will total up to Tls. 10,000, just double what they have been in the habit of paying.

Our Council very justly point out that at least one quarter of the fires occur in the French Settlement, and therefore, it is not fair that only one-eighth of the expenses should be subscribed, and also, and probably more to the point, is the fact that the necessity of attending fires in both Settlements entails a loss of too much time for the Volunteer members. At any rate, we are determined to stick to our point and if the French Municipal Council are unable to agree with our views, it will mean a complete severance of the Brigades. The French Settlement will have its own body of men to serve the needs of their Settlement and we shall be similarly placed. If we are to continue with our Volunteer Brigade it seems a pity that any trouble should divide it, but if the result were to hasten its complete disbandment, the majority of us would welcome the disengagement which has now arisen. We are deeply thankful for the many invaluable services the Brigade has rendered but while giving full praise and credit to its efforts we once more maintain it is disgraceful that so large a place as Shanghai, where conflagrations are of almost daily occurrence, should depend upon volunteers for the suppression of fires.

The following is the report of the directors for the period from 19th October, 1905, to 30th April, 1907 (inclusive), for presentation to the shareholders at the ordinary annual general meeting of the Company, to be held at the registered offices of the Company: Alexandra Buildings, Des Vaux Road, at noon on Saturday, May 25:—

GENTLEMEN:—The Directors now beg to submit to you their Report and Statement of Accounts for the period from 19th October, 1905, to 30th April, 1907 (inclusive).

The Net Profit for that period, after providing for losses on subsidiary accounts, amounted to \$43,830.71. From this have been deducted:—Renunciation to Directors, \$3,840.00; Remuneration to General Managers, 6% on gross earnings, 7,335.08; 11,175.08; Leaving available for appropriation, \$32,655.63.

The Directors recommend that a Dividend of one dollar per share be paid to Shareholders, amounting to \$20,000.00, that \$2,000 be written off Stations and Shelters and that the Balance of \$2,655.63 be carried to a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors:—Messrs C. W. Dickson and C. E. Evans having resigned, Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson and Mr G. C. Moxon were invited to occupy the vacant seats on the Board. In accordance with Rule 73 of the Company's Articles of Association, Hon. Sir Paul Chater, O.M.G., Hon. Mr W. J. Gresson, Dr J. W. Noble, Mr A. J. Raymond and Mr G. C. Moxon retired, but being eligible offered themselves for re-election.

Auditors:—In the absence of Mr W. H. Potts from the Colony, the Accounts have been audited by Messrs A. R. Lowe and F. Mathison. Mr Potts and Mr Lowe offer themselves for re-election.

HENRY HUMPHREYS, Chairman. Hongkong, 18th May, 1907.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 21st at 11.40 a.m.—The barometer has risen moderately in N.E. Japan, and fallen slightly on the E. coast of China.

Pressure remains high, between 0.1 and 0.2 inch in excess of the normal, over the Pacific in the neighbourhood of the Loochees; and low, below the average by about 0.1 inch, over N. China.

Gradients continue slight in the South, and light to moderate E. and S.E. breezes may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours and night 10 a.m. to day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DURING: 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: E. to S.E. winds, light or moderate; fair. 2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1. 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochees: Same as No. 1. 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

We are informed that the new goods recently arrived for the Arts Exhibition in Queen's Road have now been installed and the rooms were opened to the public at noon to-day. For further particulars see advertisement.

A jump of 60 ft. in snow which would be considered a poor performance in Norway. At the great annual snow-shooting competition at Holmenkollen jumps or hops of 80 ft. to 90 ft. are quite common. Not long ago a boy cleared 103 ft., while another competitor leaped 130 ft., although he stumbled on touching the ground, the record was not allowed.

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## THE SANITARY COMMISSION.

## The Cemetery Scandal.

From the report of the Commissioners who investigated the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance we take the following:—One of the most unsatisfactory features of the administration is the almost total neglect of the cemetery bye-laws and the cemeteries themselves. Forming an important part of the work of the sanitary officers, as the cemeteries do, they have never received the attention that they should.

With the exception of laying out a few trenches and occasionally measuring the new trenches dug by the contractors, the officers responsible for the proper enforcement of the law have never for once thought, or even understood, that it was, along with their other duties, incumbent on them to see to the carrying out of those bye-laws, and to ensure compliance with the prescribed sizes of the graves.

The Medical Officer of Health thinks it is the duty of the sanitary surveyor to exercise supervision, and carry out the law at the cemetery, while the latter has it in his mind that the senior inspectors, acting under the orders of the former, should attend to them. Even the Principal Civil Medical Officer, as the administrative head of the Sanitary Department, is not clear on whom the responsibility rests, and before the question was raised by any instructions in reference to the requirements of the bye-laws, or concerned himself with the conduct and supervision of the cemetery work.

As a matter of fact, things have been left entirely in the hands of the so-called sextons, who are Chinese coolies paid \$3 per month. These men know just sufficient Chinese to write a few names and numbers, but cannot speak a few words of English. Yet they are made absolute masters of the cemeteries at Caroline Hill and Mount Davis, controlling everything in their own way and carrying on business there as undertakers, stone cutters and contractors.

The sexton at Mount Davis even carries his powers so far as to arrange for remains to be disinterred and removed from one section to another, and undertakes to construct large graves far exceeding the regulation sizes, without the knowledge of the Sanitary Board or paying fees for the extra ground.

All these malpractices have been allowed to go on for years without detection, and only quite recently as a result of the investigations held by this Commission, a case has been reported to the Principal Civil Medical Officer by those officers whose duty should be to visit the cemeteries and prevent irregularities.

The Principal Civil Medical Officer stated he was satisfied with the explanation given by the sanitary surveyor, the Senior Inspector, and the sexton who endeavoured to shift the blame on to the other, and allowed the matter to drop. The question having been referred to the Commission, we find ourselves unable to endorse this decision. Such an attitude on the part of the administrative head of the Sanitary Department is calculated to have a demoralising effect upon those who are to blame, emboldened as they would be by impunity from censure.

As long as these malpractices are allowed to continue, not only will the Government be defrauded of a great deal of land, but the owners of burial sites will also suffer hardship and annoyance.

The sexton on duty at Mount Davis cemetery, Lo Cheung, is a cousin of Lo Man Kait. He has been performing that work as a servant of the Sanitary Department and as the caretaker of the mortuary of the Tung Wa Hospital at Sandy Bay, for which he receives \$15 per month, without the knowledge of the Government. Though in his evidence he has not fully admitted the truth, there are good grounds for belief that he is guilty of malpractices, having a joint account with the grave diggers under him and another man named Lo Pun, for carrying on business at the cemetery as a contractor, pig rearing and headstone cutting.

It was stated in evidence that the inspector in charge merely visited the cemetery for an hour or two. He measured the trenches without looking into other details, alleging want of time, an excuse which we do not accept.

As regards the inspector's report to the office and the records kept by the office, they are all one and the same, being the translation of the particulars furnished by the sexton, who keeps a rough register in Chinese entered up from memory.

There has been no supervision or check whatever. Without asking the sexton, the inspector would not know even the boundaries of the different sections, nor how much ground has been taken up. The sexton can plausibly object to reporting a burial, as no officer actually checks his returns.

Of the cemeteries other than Chinese, no proper plans appear to have been kept. The Sanitary Surveyor is now preparing one for the colonial cemetery, instructions to do so having been given him some time recently.

The Commission recommend that the bye-laws be revised where necessary and strictly enforced. That Lo Cheung be dismissed and banished, and that in future, a better class of man be put in charge of the Chinese cemeteries.

We consider the system under which in the past certain of the cemeteries have been leased to various religious denominations most unsatisfactory, those cemeteries being well understood under building leases. We are of opinion that the ordering of all cemeteries and the regulating of the fees should be in the hands of the Government as represented by the Sanitary and Building Board, as is the case of all unleased cemeteries under the existing Ordinances.

The rule however relating to plans of the cemeteries should be strictly carried out. Dr Clark, acting Principal Civil Medical Officer, gave it as his opinion that it was not practicable to have a plan of the cemetery exhibited at or near the cemetery, but stated that a plan in accordance with the bye-law, sub-section 12, was kept at the Board office.

Dr Atkinson held that a plan could very well be exhibited near the cemetery, a view which is shared by the Commissioners. As a matter of fact, it does not appear that such a plan, as required by the Ordinances, has ever existed, neither the officers responsible or the Secretary having seen such a one. The only plan of Mount Davis cemetery produced was on a very small scale, and not only did not show the sections of this cemetery but did not even give the boundaries of the total area.

For all practical purposes this plan was of no use whatever. The absence of such a plan facilitates the frauds which have been practised at the cemeteries.

## BURIAL AND FUNERAL ORDERS.

With regard to certificates for burial, it appears that in the case of the death of a Chinese, the certificate of death is often issued by a sanitary inspector, unless there be reasons to suspect (1) foul play, (2) accident, (3) infectious disease.

We consider that in no case should a certificate of death be issued by a sanitary inspector, but that all bodies should be inspected by a medical man.

If our recommendations as to the re-organisation of the department be adopted, we do not anticipate any difficulty in the Medical Officer of Health making his assistants from among those able to examine all such cases as we have referred to.

NOTICES. The forms of notices required to be served to abate public health and building nuisances are given in schedules D and L of the Ordinances respectively.

The former notice is required to be signed by the secretary of the Sanitary Board, and the latter by the Building Authority, and must be served before any execution takes place.

The inspectors are in the habit, with the apparent approval of the Sanitary Department, of issuing what is termed a "small notice," which they fill in and sign themselves and leave on the premises calling attention to anything which they consider a nuisance and requesting its abatement.

If such notices were confined to nuisances over which the tenant has control and are caused by his default, no objection can be taken to this procedure, but if they are issued to the person named in the notice, these notices to the owner, and leave them with the tenant for him to give to the owner, which is distinctly out of order, as the law provides that for the owner shall be served on the owner.

In many cases notices to abate nuisances have been addressed to and served on the wrong owner.

The Chinese complain that the notices are not explicit enough, and if they ask the inspectors they often say that more is required to be done than is specified in the notice.

In cases where notices to abate nuisances are not complied with a second notice is usually served, but in a large number of cases, this notice has not been served until the work has been completed.

We recommend that all notices should bear the name of the reporting inspector, and the date on which the inspector reported the nuisance.

Also that, as we believe a very large number of notices have been issued, calling upon owners to do more than is required by law, a paragraph should be added that in case of the person named in the notice being dissatisfied with its requirements, they shall at once report it to the secretary of the Sanitary Board, and that it shall be his duty to keep



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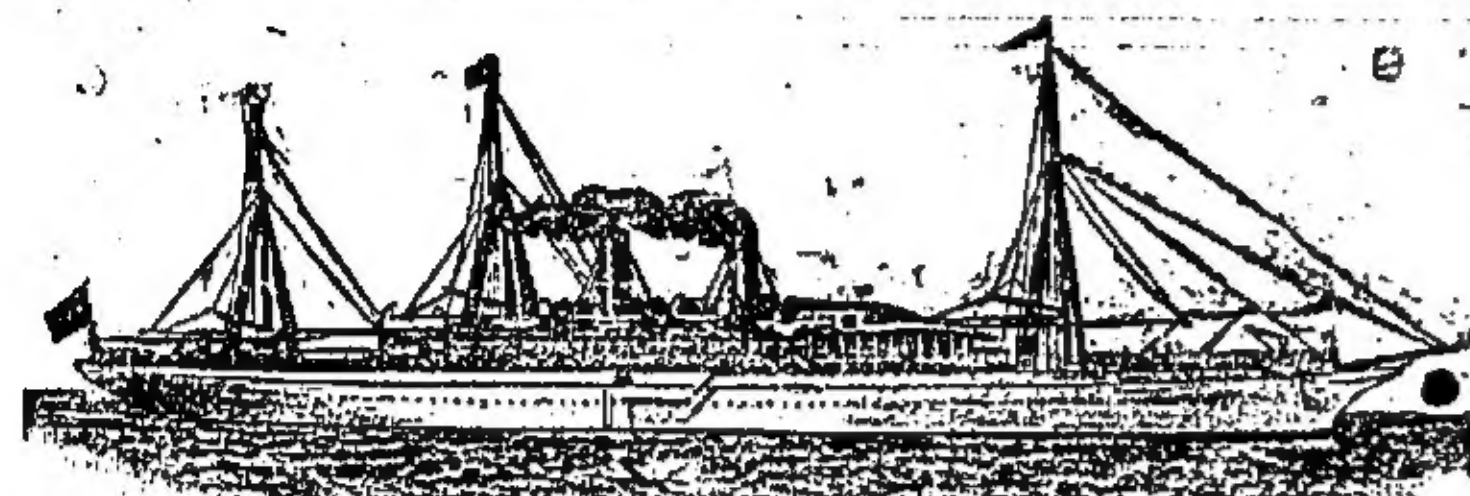
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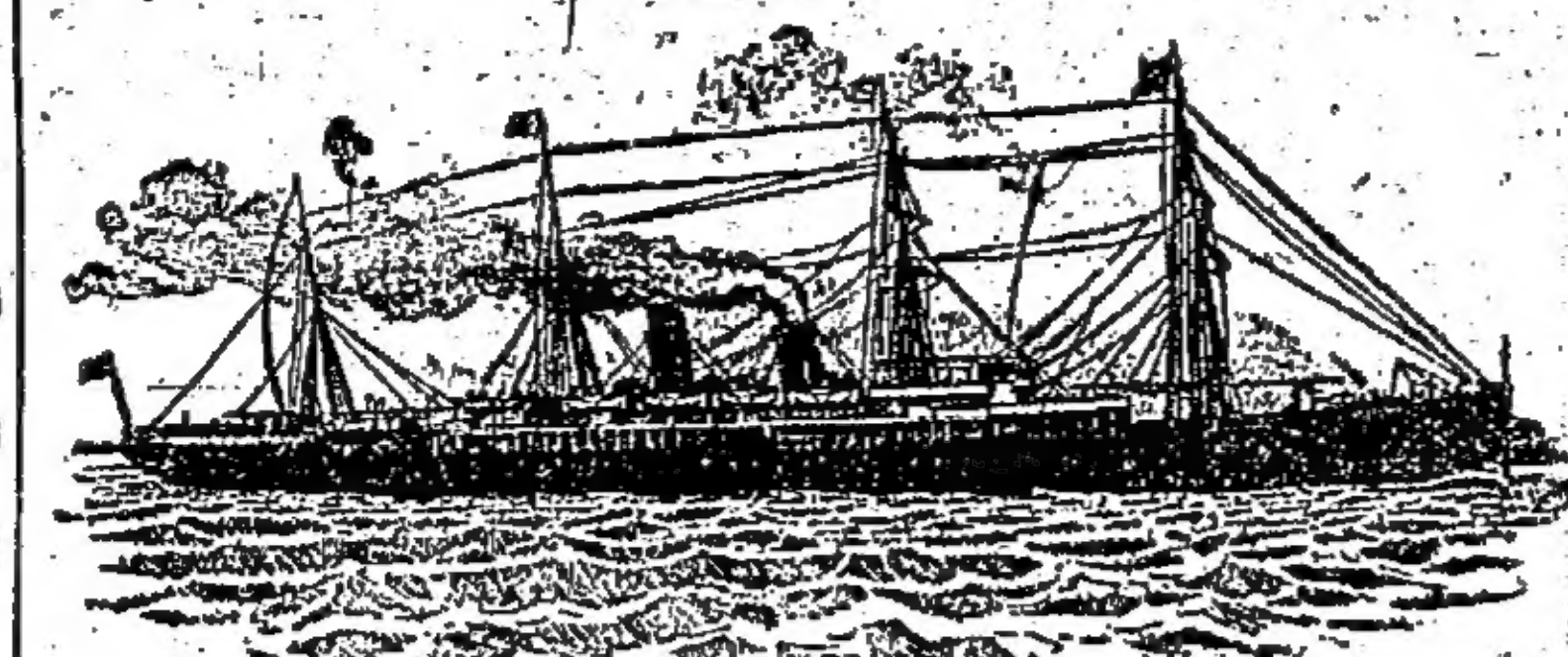
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INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSIT) STEAMERS  
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STEAMERS	Leave	Due at
Hongkong	London	London
FORMOSA	May 22	July 8
NOBIA	June 5	July 22
NUBIA	June 19	Aug. 5
SYRIA	July 3	Aug. 19
NYANZA	July 17	Sept. 2
BIMBA	Aug. 3	Sept. 18
GUNDA	Aug. 17	Oct. 2
MANILA	Sept. 3	Oct. 18
NAMUR	Sept. 17	Oct. 31
BORNEO	Oct. 3	Nov. 17

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**E. A. HEWETT,**  
Superintendent.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE  
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COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA  
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Leaving
SEIKO MARU, Capt. G. NAKAO	FRIDAY, 24th May, at Daylight.
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SOSHU MARU, Capt. T. SUGIWA	MONDAY, 27th May, at 9 a.m.
FUKUSHU MARU, Capt. R. ITO	WEDNESDAY, 29th May, at 8 a.m.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

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## Notices to Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ,  
ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO,  
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship *Erasmus* Franz Ferdinand having arrived, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings cargo:-  
From Trieste ex s.s. *Adriatic*, transhipped at Trieste.  
From Trieste ex s.s. *Korber*, transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here, unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 24th May, 1907, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th May, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SANDER, WIELER & Co.,** Agents.

Hongkong, May 18, 1907. 888

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *OOZANA*.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:-  
From London, ex s.s. *Britannia*,  
From Penang, ex s.s. *B.L.S.N.* and *B. & P.S.N.* Co.'s steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 15, 1907. 870

## 'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *BENLOMOND*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,** Agents.

Hongkong, May 17, 1907. 877

## THE 'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FROM MIDDLESBRO', LONDON, COLOMBO & STRAITS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship *CARDIGANSHIRE*, Captain TYZE, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,** Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1907. 893

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship *Trieste* having arrived, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 25th May, 1907, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 25th May, 1907, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **SANDER, WIELER & Co.,** Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1907. 886

## A WILD FOREIGN PLACE.

A Chinaman and Singapore.

A Chinaman was charged at Singapore recently with going armed with a revolver and fifty rounds of ammunition. The prisoner said he was a stranger and had only just arrived in Singapore from China. His uncle in China had advised him to carry a revolver in this "wild foreign place." The prisoner then made the following peculiar plea for pity: "Will the mighty Governor not pardon me? I have come all the way from China on a bobbing steamer. For seven days I was in terrible misery. A devil was in my interior and ejected all the food I ate. Please pity me, I will not offend again. I have not changed my garments since I left the devil ship." His Worship was evidently struck by the appeal for he stood the case down to consider his decision. Later Mr. Coleman told the prisoner he would not need a revolver in this "wild foreign place." The revolver was confiscated but he would not impose any punishment on the ex-owner.

## THE FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs Lamke and Rogge report under date of Saturday, May 18:- A somewhat better though by no means pressing demand from Saigon to this port, and more enquiry at advancing rates after coal tonnage from Japan have been the principal features of the market since we last wrote on the 3rd instant. Saigon to this port, rates have ruled between 16 and 18 cents, to Canton at 20 and 21 cents. In other directions from Saigon absolutely nothing in the way of chartering appears to have transpired, except that on order of long standing for Tientsin, 2000 tons, about middle of May loading, was filled locally by the charter of a steamer at 40 cents per picul.

To land at Bangkok for this port or Singapore, demand for non-liners has for the present subsided. During the fortnight arrangements have been made for the loading on berth terms prompt, for this port, of German s.s. "Loyal" and Norwegian s.s. "Prona".

Java has had a few charters for this port for dry and wet sugar cargoes, for Chinese shippers' account. As against the requirements for the ensuing season of one of the two local refineries for tonnage to load dry sugar, two big carriers are reported having been taken on time-charter basis in the London market.

Relio to this, we hear of another fixture at 18 cents per picul.

Newchwang, Chefoo and Tientsin to Canton:- There seems no change in the relative unsatisfactory position of prices for northern products at ports of shipment and down here, or, anyhow, not sufficient to stimulate business. An enquiry after a boat for a part cargo as low as 19 or 20 cents was on the market for a day or so, and not having been immediately met, was withdrawn.

Concerning Yangtze freights, whilst quotations from Chinkiang to Canton still stand as last reported at 25 candareens for ground-nuts and 10 candareens for rice, the amount of cargo offering is stated to be much less than what liners would be eager to handle, and outsiders would appear to have no chance whatever for any "look-in".

Coalfreights:- Moji to this, for prompt, \$1.75 has been paid; for the present shippers seem determined not to offer better than about \$1.65 per ton. For Canton, fixtures have been effected at \$2.65 and \$2.65 per ton, small light draft steamers.

Wakamatsu to Foochow, a charter done at \$2.50 per ton; Mororan to Hongkong a fixture at \$2.50.

Hongkong has had business for Hongkong at \$1.60, (about 1400 tons), to Pulo Brani (Singapore) at \$2.80 (about 2000 tons), Tournon to Canton a vessel has been chartered at \$2.25 per ton.

Concerning sailers, there is nothing new to advise.

## Notices to Consignees.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship *KASATO MARU* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

All goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims to be broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be notified to us immediately.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **K. MATSUDA,** Manager.

Hongkong, May 17, 1907. 878

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kumang* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from Calcutta.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m., the 18th inst., will be land (at Consignees' risk and expense).

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,** General Managers.

Hongkong, May 16, 1907. 871

## HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, May 16th, 1907.  
At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

### Butcher Meat.

Beef brisket & prime cut-Met Lung Pa	lb 20
Corned-Ham Ngau Yuk	20
Roast-Shin	20
Brast-Naga Lam	16
Soup-Tong Yuk	16
Steak-Ngan Yuk Pa	20
Autumn Ngau Lan Shioh	80
Sausages-Ngan Chang	26
Bullock's Brain-Slow	per set 10
Tongue fresh-Ngan Li	each 60
Corned-Ham Ngau Li	65
Head-Ngan Tau	60
Heart-Ngan Sum	12
Hump-Salt-Ngan Kiu	20
Feet-Ngan Kerk	each 7
Kidneys-Ngan Yiu	10
Tail-Ngan Mol	10
Liver-Ngan Con	12
Tripe (undressed)-Ngau To	7

Calves Head & Feet-Ngan Chai-kak, set \$1.00

Mutton Chop-Yeung Pal Kwai	lb 24
Leg-Young Pei	24
Shoulder-Young Shau	20
Pigs Chittings-Chi chong	24
Brains-Chi Know	per set 2
Feet-Chi Kerk	12
Fry-Chi Chik	12
Head-Chi Tau	12
Heart-Chi Sum	each 9
Kidneys-Chi Yiu	8
Liver-Chi Con	12
Pork Chop-Chi Pai Kwai	21
Corned-Ham Chu Yuk	24
Leg-Chi Pei	24
Fat or Lard-Chi Yau	16
Shoep's Head and Feet-Young Tau Kerk set	60
Heart-Young Sum	each 6
Kidneys-Young Yiu	10
Liver-Young Con	12
Sucking Pigs-To Order-Chi Chai	16
Suet-Beef-Sang Ngau Yan	24
Mutton-Sang Young Yau	24
Veal-Ngan Chai Yuk	20
Sausages-Ngan Chai Chong	20

### Poultry.

Chickens-Kai Chai	lb 28
Capons, Large, Small-Sin Kai	30
Ducks-Ly	18
Doves-Pan Kau	each 16
Eggs-Hen-Kai Tau	per dozen 20
Fowls, Canton-Kai	22
Hallman-Hol Nam Kai	27
Geese-Ngai	18
Geese, Wild Bil'al-She Yee Ngai, pair	—
Musks, Wong Keng	each —
Harb, Shanghai-To Chai	—
Partinggo-Chi Kau	—
Phasant-Shan Kai	pair —
Pigeons, Canton-Pak Kap	each 30
Hollow-Hol How Pak Kap	26
Quail-Um Chum	20
Rice Birds-Wo Pa Chai	dozen —
Snipe-Sa Chuy	each —
Turkeys-Cook-Phor Kai Kung	60
Hens-Nga	45
Wild Ducks, Shal-Shanghai Salap	pair —
Teal-Sui Ap Chai	—
Wild Ducks Canton-Sang Shing Sui Ap	—

### Fish.

Barbel-Ka Yu	lb 13
Bream-Bia Yu	14
Canton Fresh Water Fish-Hol Shu Yu	14
Carp-Li Yu	16
Catfish-Chik Yu	11
Crabs-Hai	14
Octopus-Mun Yu	16
Crabs-Hai	14
Outlet Fish-Mak Yu	12
Dab-Sa Mang Yu	13
Dog-Wong Mei Lun	14
Dog Fish-Tit Ta Sa	8
Eels-Gongor-Hai Mann	16
Fish, Yellow-Wong Sin	24
Frogs-Tien Kai	24
Garcia-Sak Pan	48
Indegon-Pak Kung Yu	12
Hairings-Tao Pak	18
Hallman-Chong Kwau Kop	24
Labrus-Wong Fa Yu	17
Loach-Wu Yu	22
Lobsters-Lung Ha	26
Mackerel-Chi Yu	11
Monk Fish-Mong Yu	24
Mullet-Chai Yu	14
Oysters-Sang Hoo	20
Parrotfish-Kai Kung Yu	14
Perch-Tau Eco	14
Pike-Sa Paw Pong	8
Plaice-Pan Yu	18
Pomfret-Black-Hak Chong	20
Pomfret, White-Pak Chong	26
Powder-Ming Yu	48
Ray-Pai Pa Sa	9
Sole Fish-Sak Kau Kung	14
Squid-Chu Y	23

Salmon-Ma Yu Yu	each 18
Shark-Sa Yu	9
Skate-Po Yu	10
Shrimps-Ha	24
Snapper-Lap Yu	22
Soles-Tat Sa Yu	23
Tanch-Wan Yu	18
Turbot-Cho How Yu	20
Turtles, small, fresh water-Kork Yu	66
White Bait-Ngan Yu Chai	—

### Fruits.

Almonds-Hung Yan	each 18
Apples (California)-Kam San Ping Khe	—
(Chico)-Tin Chum Ping Khe	26
Small-Hoi Tong	—
Custard-Fan Lai Chi	each —
Bananas, fragrant, Canton-San Shing	3
Bananas, (brides), Macao-San Heung Chiu	16
Chestnuts, Chinese-Nuang Lat	—
Carambola-Young Tau	—
Cocoanuts-Yoh Tes	each 10
Lemons, China-Ning Moong	16
America-Kam San Ning Moong	6
Lichies, Dried-Lai Chi Jon	—
Fresh	10
Limes (Sai Gon)-Sai Kung Ning Moong	5
Mango, Manila-Lui Sung Moong	10
Mangosteens-San Chuk Tas	23
Oranges, (Canton)-San Shing Tim Chong	16
Passion Fruit	dozen —
Pears, (American)-Kam San Shui Li	16
(Canton), Cooking-Sa Li	—
(Shanghai)-Sheng Hai Li	—
Peanuts-Fa Sang	10
Persimmons Large-Hung Chiu	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality-Shuang Poon Ti	—
Raw Law	each —
Raw cooking-Chung-tang-paw-law	—
Plantains-Thi Chou	16
Plums-Swallow Hung Lai	—
Pomelos, Siam-Chin Lo Yau	20
Walnuts-Hop Tuo	12
Green-Sang Hop Tuo	—
Water-Melon-(Am.) Kam San Sai Kwa	—
(China) Sai Kwa	—

### Vegetables, &c.

Vegetables, &c.		菜蔬	
Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheng Hai Ah	...	...	...
Oh Cheuk	...	...	...
Beans, (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Ta	8	...	...
(French), Shanghai—Sheng Hai	...	...	...
Pin Tai	...	...	...
Sprout—Ah Chai	4	...	...
Long—Tan Kok	...	...	...
Beet Root—Hung Chor Tau	each 2	...	...
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yuen Ker	...	...	...
Red—Hung Ker	...	...	...
Cabbage, Chinese, com—Kai Choy	...	...	...
Cabbage Red—Hung Yee Choy	each 10	...	...
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Chai	...	...	...
Cauli flower, bunch—Kan Shun	...	...	...
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yek Chai-fa	each —	...	...
Medium size—Chung Yeh Chai-fa	...	...	...
Small size—Sai Yeh Chai-fa	...	...	...
Carrots—Kam Shun	...	...	...
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Chai	...	...	...
English—Yung	...	...	...
Chilies Dried—On Lai Chiu	...	...	...
Red—Hung Fa	...	...	...
Green—Ching Lat Chiu	...	...	...
Curry Leaf, English—Ma Lee Chai Etc.	...	...	...
Onion, Chinese—Ching Kwa	...	...	...
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	...	...	...
Garlic—Suen Tan	...	...	...
Ginger, young—Sun Tze Kung	...	...	...
old—Lo Kung	...	...	...
Horse Radish—Shai-Lik Kau	lb 24	...	...
Indian Corn—Suk Mai	per set —	...	...
Lotus—Young Sang Chai	each 1	...	...
Mandarin—Kwai Lum Ma Tai	...	...	...
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho	...	...	...
Musk Melon—(American)	each —	...	...
Okra	...	...	...
Onions, Bombay—Young Chong Tau	...	...	...
Green—Sang Chong	...	...	...
Shanghai—Sheng Hai Ch	...	...	...



